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| 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL . 2b) ☐ This | | | | | | | | |
| 3) Since this application is in condition for allowan | 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is | | | | | | | |
| closed in accordance with the practice under E | x parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 45 | 53 O.G. 213. | | | | | | |
| Disposition of Claims | | | | | | | | |
| 4) Claim(s) is/are pending in the application | n. | | | | | | | |
| | 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration. | | | | | | | |
| 5)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1</u> is/are allowed. | | | | | | | | |
| 6) ☐ Claim(s) is/are rejected. | | | | | | | | |
| 7) Claim(s) <u>2-10</u> is/are objected to. | | • | | | | | | |
| 8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or | election requirement. | | | | | | | |
| Application Papers | · | | | | | | | |
| 9) The specification is objected to by the Examine | r. | | | | | | | |
| 10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner. | | | | | | | | |
| Applicant may not request that any objection to the o | | | | | | | | |
| Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correcti | on is required if the drawing(s) is obj | jected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d). | | | | | | |
| 11)☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Ex | aminer. Note the attached Office | Action or form PTO-152. | | | | | | |
| Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 | | · | | | | | | |
| 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign | priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a) | -(d) or (f). | | | | | | |
| a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of: | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. | | | | | | | | |
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| 3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s)/Mail Date | | atent Application (PTO-152) | | | | | | |
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DETAILED ACTION

This action is in response to the amendment filed on December 19, 2003. Claim 10 has been added in the amendment.

Allowable Subject Matter

- 1. Claim 1 is allowed.
- 2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Applicant's claim of a bi-directional transceiver mainly includes optical transceiver sleeve, laser diode package, photoelectric sensor, filter glass and a rectangular combined-seat whose surface is made of stainless steel, and the inner parts made of plastic material has been well taught in the art of fiber optic couplers with housing. However, the Applicant specifically claimed the specific positions to the optical elements such as:

"[the combined-seat] connects with the optical transceiver sleeve at the right side, connects with the laser diode package at the left side, connects again with the photoelectric sensor at its top; such three components are combined in the combined-seat and form an optical transceiver module"

over came the prior art.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

1. This application is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters:

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The formal matters are all lack of antecedent basis objections and lack of clarity objections

- Claim 2, second line, -- another side is equipped with a rectangular hole—is unclear. Applicant should describe the relativity of the "another side".
- Claim 3, --the central part of the combined-seat--; lack antecedent basis.
- Claim 4, --the housing washer--; lack antecedent basis.
- Claim 5, --a small flange and flange--; for clarity, Applicant should revised as "a small flange and a large flange...
- Claim 6, --the inner ring--; lack antecedent basis. The word "a" is missing between the words "is" and "ceramic".
- Claim 8, --the graphical head--; lack antecedent basis.
- Claim 9, --the head of the photoelectric sensor--; lack antecedent basis.
- Claim 10, the word "a" is missing between the words "is" and "ceramic".

Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

A shortened statutory period for reply to this action is set to expire **TWO MONTHS** from the mailing date of this letter.

Conclusion

2. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Javitt et al., Butrie et al., and Shigeta et al. all teach a bi-directional transceiver capable of receiving and transmitting in one integrated module.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to Erin D. Chiem whose telephone number is (571) 272-3102. The

examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Thursday 9AM - 5PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

supervisor, Frank G. Font can be reached on (571) 272-2415. The fax phone number for the

organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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